

## STRIKE IS SETTLED.

Common Ground of Agreement Reached in Anthracite Field.

A Commission Will Meet in a Few Days, Chose a Chairman, Probably Gen. Wilson, and Arrange For Sessions and Testimony.

Washington, Oct. 16.—The great anthracite coal strike is settled at last. A commission of six persons, with a seventh, Carroll D. Wright, as recorder, will adjust differences between operators and miners. President Mitchell, of the miners' union, will take the necessary measures to call the strike off. The president will urge immediate resumption of mining. Operations are expected to begin next week. Announcement that the great strike was off was made by Secretary Root with exuberant good humor at the white house shortly after 1 o'clock Thursday morning. Organized labor has a representative on the commission in the person of E. E. Clark, grand chief of the Order of Railway Conductors, named as a sociologist. The president added Bishop Spaulding, of Illinois to the list of the five members suggested by the operators. As named the commission is perfectly satisfactory to both miners and operators. Assent of the miners was given through President Mitchell and Mr. Sargent, commissioner of immigration, and of the operators through Messrs. Robert Bacon and George W. Perkins, of the banking firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. The final outcome followed a series of conferences, beginning with two during the day with Mr. Mitchell and two during the night with Messrs. Bacon and Perkins. Events moved quickly at last, the president being determined on a speedy settlement. The commission will assemble in a few days and choose a chairman, probably Gen. Wilson. It then will arrange for sessions and testimony.

President Mitchell has called a meeting of the executive committee and the strike will be called off at once and mining resumed in two or three days. Some of the members of the commission were named by Messrs. Sargent and Mitchell at their conference with the president Wednesday, and in later meetings Wednesday night Mr. Sargent officially represented the mine union leader.

The following official statement announcing the close of the strike was issued at the white house at 2:20 a. m. Thursday:

After a conference with Mr. Mitchell and some further conference with representatives of the coal operators, the president has appointed the members of the commission to inquire into, consider and pass upon all questions at issue between the operators and miners in the anthracite coal fields:

Brig. Gen. John M. Wilson, U. S. A., retired (late chief of engineers, U. S. A.), Washington, D. C., as an officer of the engineer corps of either the military or naval service of the United States.

Mr. E. W. Parker, Washington, D. C., as an expert mining engineer. Mr. Parker is chief statistician of the coal division of the United States geological survey and the editor of the Engineering and Mining Journal of New York.

Hon. George Gray, Wilmington, Del., as a judge of the United States court. Mr. E. E. Clark, Cedar Rapids, Ia., grand chief of the Order of Railway Conductors, as a sociologist, the president assuming that for the purpose of such a commission the term sociologist means a man who has thought and studied deeply on social questions and has practically applied his knowledge.

Mr. Thomas W. Watkins, Scranton, Pa., as a man practically acquainted with the mining and selling of coal. Bishop John L. Spaulding, of Peoria, Ill.

Hon. Carroll D. Wright has been appointed recorder of the commission.

### LONG SERVICE.

J. C. Bancroft Resigns as Reporter of the United States Supreme Court.

Washington, Oct. 16.—J. C. Bancroft Davis, who has been reporter of the United States supreme court for nearly twenty years, has resigned. He is nearly 80 years of age. He was born in Worcester, Mass., the son of a former Bay state governor and senator, and himself served as assistant secretary of state, minister to Germany and judge of the court of claims before taking his last post. He desires to spend the rest of his days in leisure.

Absorbed By the Gould System. Dallas, Tex., Oct. 16.—The announcement of the absorption of the Mineral Wells & Northwestern road by the Gould system was made, President L. M. Foutz retiring in favor of Geo. J. Gould. Texas Pacific officials will operate the road.

### Rice Crop a Failure.

Honolulu, Oct. 16.—The rice crop in the Canton district has proved a failure and, in consequence, famine prevails and riots are threatened. Subscription lists for the relief of the sufferers in the district have been opened.

### Miners' Wages Increased.

Denver, Col., Oct. 16.—The announcement was made Wednesday night that the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co. has voluntarily decided upon a general increase in wages to the 10,000 coal miners in its employ.

## BLOODY BATTLE FOUGHT.

President Castro's Forces and Revolutionists Meet.

Willemstad, Oct. 16.—News has been received here from Caracas that the battle near Lavictoria between forces of President Castro, numbering 4,100 men with 15 guns, and the Venezuelan revolutionists, which began Monday morning, had so far been without definite result.

Gen. Matos, leader of the revolution, and Gen. Mendoza were not present. The only rebel generals engaged were Guevara, Torres, Crespo and Antonio Fernandez, who had with them about 3,100 men, representing the advance guard of the revolutionists. President Castro twice led a charge in person and showed great courage and coolness. His lieutenant, Gen. Alcantara, who was at one time at the West Point military academy, was mortally wounded. The government forces had 247 men killed, while the revolutionists lost 310 men. Among the latter was Gen. Guevara.

The arrival at the scene of battle at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon of Vice President Gomez with 800 men and a large amount of ammunition saved the situation for the government. At that time the odds were greatly against President Castro, but the arrival of reinforcements improved his position. Monday night the revolutionists still retained their positions.

The fight started again Tuesday and at 10 o'clock in the morning Castro retired to La Victoria. At 1 o'clock the fighting ceased on both sides.

News of the engagement having reached Gens. Matos and Mendoza, they hastened to the scene and arrived at a point near La Victoria Tuesday, with the rest of the revolutionary army, which now numbers 8,000 men. The reinforcements under Matos and Mendoza intended to take part in the renewal of hostilities Wednesday.

### COLOMBIAN REVOLUTION.

Gen. Fernandez Captured President and Proclaimed Himself Dictator.

Frankfort-on-the-Maine, Ger., Oct. 16.—The Frankfurter Zeitung publishes a dispatch saying that Gen. Fernandez has captured President Marroquin, of Colombia and, has proclaimed himself dictator.

President Marroquin procured the office of president of Colombia by arbitrarily deposing former President Sanclemente July 31, 1900. Marroquin was vice president of the country. In October of last year a conspiracy to overthrow Marroquin was discovered. The then minister of war and several prominent conservatives were implicated in the conspiracy. It was also supposed to reinstate former President Sanclemente in office. The plot failed and the conspirators locked up. It was reported from Colombia in January of this year that Marroquin had been imprisoned by his enemies, but this report was denied by the general, Alban. Gen. Fernandez was the Colombian minister of war. He was appointed to office in February, 1902.

### AN OHIO EXCURSION.

Business Men From Different Sections Visiting Texas Towns.

Houston, Tex., Oct. 16.—An excursion with 200 business men from different sections of Ohio reached here Wednesday. The train will make a complete tour of the gulf coast of Louisiana and Texas in order to show the Ohio contingent the possibilities of the territory from a land and immigration standpoint. The party will visit every town of importance in Southwest Texas and will remain in the state nearly two weeks. Another party, consisting of 800 representatives of the Southern Pacific land and immigration department, and a large number of homeseekers from Illinois and Iowa, is expected in a short time.

### FORMAL SALE OF BEAUVOIR.

Transferred to the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Jackson, Miss., Oct. 16.—The formal sale and transfer of Beauvoir, the home of Jefferson Davis, by Mrs. Davis to the Sons of Confederate Veterans, was consummated Wednesday at the opening session of the reunion of the Mississippi division, Sons of Veterans. The home will be used as a home for indigent confederate veterans. Mrs. Davis received \$10,000 for the home.

### Journalist Dillon Dead.

Bar Harbor, Me., Oct. 16.—John A. Dillon, journalist and leading editorial writer on the New York Evening World, died at Chatwold, the summer home of Mr. Joseph Pulitzer, Wednesday night, from injuries received five weeks ago.

### Eighteen Stowaways.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 16.—On board the steamer Glenogle, which arrived Wednesday morning from the Orient, were no less than 15 stowaways, all Chinese. They were arrested here and will be returned on board the steamer when she sails for China.

### The "Dios Dios."

Manila, Oct. 16.—The "Dios Dios" fanatics are again active in the western part of the island of Samar. They have gained in strength and have become more aggressive, levying tribute upon towns and driving the traders away.

### Cubans Not Ungrateful.

Havana, Oct. 16.—President Palma has denied in emphatic terms reports that the Cubans are displaying ingratitude towards the United States or they are now indifferent to the outcome of the reciprocity question.

## THE CHINN MURDER.

Mob Wanted to Hang O'Brien and Whitney, Who Confessed.

Two Companies of Militia Which Was Originally Ordered Out to Protect the Men, Cleared the Streets and Guard the Prison.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 16.—Both Earl Whitney and Claude O'Brien, confessed to the murder of Merchant A. B. Chinn and the wounding of his son here. The revolvers used were delivered to the police. The murder occurred at the Chinn home, Friday night.

Earl Whitney and Claude O'Brien, by the confession of Whitney, made Wednesday, the burglar murderers of Merchant A. B. Chinn, were late Wednesday spirited from the jail by officers and placed aboard a C. & O. train bound for Louisville at 6 o'clock. A mob spirit pervades the city, and hundreds of men and women are on the streets around the jail. They refuse to believe that the men have been removed, and "That jail will be searched from top to bottom before morning" is a significant statement heard in many groups. The two companies of militia which were originally ordered out to protect the men may now be called upon to clear the streets about and guard the jail.

George Bain and Al. De Long, two citizens of high standing, were admitted to the jail as representatives of several hundred men present and permitted to search the prison from top to the dungeons.

They reported that the men wanted were not in the jail. The crowd in front then raised a howl, and at the suggestion of leaders, adjourned to the courthouse square.

Ex-County Clerk Claude Chinn accompanied the crowd and made a speech to about two hundred men. He is a brother of the man murdered. He said:

"I do not know what to advise you to do at this moment, but something must be done. Those murderers must be punished. I had a man watch the jail since noon. He says the men have not been moved."

"Will you go with us?" was asked by a member of the crowd. "I will go any place with you. You know my record," replied the old confederate soldier.

One of the more quiet of the crowd suggested that before anything radical was done Mr. Chinn search the jail in person. With this the crowd, now numbering about four or five hundred, went to the jail. A strong force of police guarded the entrance to the jail. Mr. Chinn, at 3:45 o'clock, mounted the jail steps and addressed the crowd. He told them he was now certain the murderers were not in the jail and urged them to disperse.

The crowd demanded that another committee be admitted to make a search. The yells of the crowd have attracted thousands to the vicinity. The men were moved after a conference between the county judge, Col. Williams, of the 2d regiment, and police authorities.

### TO REDUCE THE ARMY.

It Will Resume Its Minimum Size of 59,500 Men.

Washington, Oct. 16.—Orders will be issued by the war department Thursday ordering that the regular army be reduced to the minimum size authorized by law, 59,500 men. With the practical cessation of outbreaks in the Philippines it is believed that this can be done safely. The present size of the army is about 67,000 men. The cavalry and artillery regiments will be reduced to the minimum basis except around Fort Leavenworth, where the commands will be kept of full size for educational reasons.

### WANTED IN PITTSBURG.

Edward J. Burk Arrested in Chicago on a Murder Charge.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—Through a letter of warning sent to Edward J. Burk, wanted on a charge of murder in Pittsburgh, which fell into the hands of the police, Burk was arrested Wednesday. Burk is wanted in connection with the death of a man named Martin, who was a prominent Pittsburgh politician, and who was killed on the night of September 2 in a fight. The letter, which gave the clew to Burk's whereabouts, was found in the possession of P. J. Donovan, who had been arrested on a charge of larceny.

### Movement of Ore.

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 16.—Railroad officials in Milwaukee say that more than 1,000 ore cars have left the ore fields of Northern Wisconsin and Michigan for the coal fields and more are to follow. The ore roads will thus give a great aid to the coal movement.

### A Counter Force to Saloons.

Liverpool, Oct. 16.—Andrew Carnegie at the opening of a branch library here Wednesday, characterized libraries as a great counter force to saloons and said the most excellent work of the librarians was developing the tastes of readers.

### The Submarine Cable.

Wellington, N. Z., Oct. 16.—Acting Premier Sir J. G. Ward has confirmed the report that the plan of the New Zealand government for a submarine cable from Honolulu to Fanning Island has been practically accepted.

## THE ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION.

Souvenir Gold Dollars to the Number of 250,000 Will Be Issued.

St. Louis, Oct. 15.—The executive committee of the Louisiana Purchase exposition has reported that the secretary of the treasury, in pursuance of the act of congress, had decided upon the following design for the issue of 250,000 Louisiana Purchase souvenir gold dollars:

"Two distinct souvenir coins will be struck, one with the head of Thomas Jefferson, the other with the head of William McKinley. The head and the words, 'United States of America,' will appear on one side of the coin, on the other, side will appear, 'One Dollar, 1803-1903.' Around the words one dollar will be the words 'Louisiana Purchase Exposition' in the place of the usual wreath."

President Francis, of the exposition company, has written the secretary of the treasury department asking if it is practical for the department to state approximately at the present stage of progress when the souvenirs can be minted and when deliveries will begin.

### MRS. JOSEPHINE WARD DEAD.

She Was Related to Three Presidents of the United States.

New York, Oct. 15.—Mrs. Josephine Ward, a friend of Dolly Madison and of Mrs. Julia D. Grant, widow of Gen. Grant, is dead at the home of her daughter in this city. She was nearly 80 years old. Mrs. Ward, in her youth, was one of the belles of Kentucky. Her maiden name was Harris. Her grandfather, Gen. James Taylor, of Newport, Ky., took part in the war of 1812 and loaned his large private fortune to the government. Miss Harris was related to three presidents of the United States. She was a first cousin of James Madison and Gen. Zachary Taylor and distantly related to Thomas Jefferson. Between her and the beautiful Dolly Madison, there was a warm friendship, and she frequently visited the home of the Madisons at Montpelier. Miss Harris was married in 1847 to Geo. W. Ward, a prominent cotton broker of New Orleans, who died in 1870.

### THE DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

The Annual Report For the Last Fiscal Year Made Public.

Washington, Oct. 15.—The annual report of the dead letter office for the last fiscal year, submitted Tuesday by Acting Postmaster General Wynne, shows total receipts of 9,300,351 pieces of mail matter of all kinds, an increase of nine per cent. over last year. The ordinary unclaimed letters numbered 5,446,235; letters and parcels held for postage, 156,831; domestic letters undelivered at hotels, 306,323; letters and parcels with fictitious addresses, 150,307; bearing no address, 81,068; originating in foreign countries, 838,805. The total number of pieces of mail matter opened was 8,216,407. Total number delivered unopened, 1,133,231. Of the letters and parcels opened 50,869 were found to contain money to the amount of \$48,498 and \$50,874 commercial papers with an aggregate face value of \$1,399,926.

### CHINESE OFFICIALS INDIGNANT.

Shan Hai-Kwan-New Chwang Railroad Turned Over in Bad Condition.

London, Oct. 15.—In a dispatch from New Chwang, a correspondent of the Times says Chinese officials are indignant at the condition in which the Shan Hai-Kwan-New Chwang railroad has been restored to them. In many places everything portable has been removed. The rolling stock was left in extremely bad condition, only three locomotives out of 24 being fit for use. The plant everywhere testifies to rough handling and general neglect. The expenditure of a large sum of money will be required to put the road in order.

The Shan Kai-Kwan-New Chwang railroad was held by Russia. It was transferred to the Chinese September 26.

Put Wreaths on Washington's Tomb.

Washington, Oct. 15.—The crown prince and his brother placed two handsome wreaths on the tomb of Washington during their visit to Mt. Vernon. One of these was of orchids and violets and the other of oak leaves and white chrysanthemums.

### Reduced the Price.

Berlin, Oct. 15.—The rolled steel syndicate Tuesday reduced prices in Germany by \$1.25 a ton, probably as a concession to public opinion, as there has been much agitation recently over the high domestic and low export prices.

### Adm. Schley in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Oct. 15.—Rr. Adm. Winfield Scott Schley and wife arrived in St. Louis Tuesday afternoon. They were escorted to the Planters hotel, where after dinner they were tendered a reception and drive about the city.

### An Ohio Girl's Rich Estate.

San Bernardino, Cal., Oct. 15.—Jas. J. Parks, a mining prospector, who died here some days ago, is said to have left a \$75,000 estate. His only heir is said to be a girl of 21, his sister, at Pomeroy, O., but her name is not known.

### Raid on Board Sidewalks.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—The prohibitive price of coal has resulted in raids being made on sidewalks and paving blocks in several sections of the city, and the police have been asked to stop the demolition.

## THE PINKHAM CURES

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